(b) Either packing of Grocery commodities including rice is centrally done in Kendriya Bhandar's godowns, or procurement is done in suppliers' packing. The question of preparation of underweight packets in Kendriya Bhandar's store in Gole Market Area, therefore, does not arise. Rice for the ration is sold by Kendriya Bhandar's employees under the supervision of Food and Civil Supplies authorities and no such complaint relating to selling of rice of ration in the open market has come to the notice of Kendriya Bhandar.

(c) Does not arise.

Free power connection under the Kutir Jyoti Yojana

856. SHRI B.J. PANDA:
SHRI RAMACHANDRA KHUNTIA:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Oissa Government propose to release 1.32 lakh families free power connection under the Kutir Jyoti Yojana, as reported in the Asian Age, dated the 9th January, 2003;

(b) if so, the financial help that has been or would be provided by the Centre to the State for the purpose; and

(c) whether any other Plan is on the anvil under the rural electrification schemes in the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) Government of Orissa has proposed to release 66666 single point light connections under Kutir Jyoti Programme to the rural families living below poverty line, during 2002-03.

(b) Government of India, through Rural Electrification Corporation (REC), has allocated a grant of Rs. 10 crores under Kutir Jyoti Programme during 2002-03 to Orissa. Against this sanctioned grant, 50 per cent of this shall be released on acceptance of the Kutir Jyoti Scheme by the State/State Power Utility and balance 50 per cent grant on release of connections, on furnishing list of beneficiaries by the State Governments/ State Power Utilities.

(c) The priorities for formulation and execution of rural electrification plans/programmes are determined by the State Electricity Boards/Power Utilities depending upon the policies and directions of the State Governments.

National energy conservation programme

857. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the power saved by industry during the last five years as a part of National Energy Conservation Programme, year-wise; and

(b) what are the incentives that Government is giving for conserving energy to industry and others during the last five years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) As per the data available, the power saved during the period from 1999 to 2002 by the industry participating in the Ministry of Power's Energy Conservation Award Scheme as a part of National Energy Conservation Programme, year-wise is as under:-

Year	Electrical Energy Saving	
	Power saved (in Million Kwh)	Equivalent Avoided Capacity in MW at 60% Plant Load Factor (PLF)
2002	641	122
2001	485	90
2000	524	100
1999	205	45
Total	1855	357

(b) Government of India give Energy Conservation Awards to the Industries for their achieving high standards in Energy Saving every year.

Demand and supply of power in U.P.

858. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the total demand and supply of power in the State of Uttar Pradesh at present;